

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

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THE UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.  
Sole Agents for the  
UNITED ASBESTOS CO. LTD., LONDON.  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.  
General Agents.

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TUESDAY, JULY 25, 1899.

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號五廿月七英港香

THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM

## Banks.

**THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.**  
ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL (SUBSCRIBED AND PAID-UP) Yen 12,000,000  
RESERVE FUND " 7,300,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:  
TOKYO. KOBE.  
NAGASAKI. LONDON.  
LYONS. NEW YORK.  
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.  
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.

LONDON BANKERS:  
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.  
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD.

HONGKONG AGENCY—INTEREST ALLOWED.  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.  
per Annum on the Daily Balance.  
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

S. CHOH, Agent.  
Hongkong, 1st July, 1899. [382]

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**

Authorised Capital, 1,000,000  
Paid up Capital, 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:  
Chen Kit Shan, Esq.  
Chow Tung Shang, Esq.  
D. Gillies, Esq.  
J. T. Laus, Esq.  
Chief Manager,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%  
Hongkong, 30th May, 1899. [18]

**THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.**

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP, 800,000  
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF SHAREHOLDERS, 800,000  
RESERVE FUND, 500,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.  
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 20th May, 1898. [31]

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

PAY-UP CAPITAL, 10,000,000  
RESERVE FUND, 10,000,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, 10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:  
R. M. GRAY, Esq., Chairman.  
N. A. SIKES, Esq., Deputy Chairman.  
E. Goetz, Esq.  
A. Haupt, Esq.  
R. H. Hill, Esq.  
The Hon. J. J. KESWICK, Esq.  
A. McConachie, Esq.  
R. Sheehan, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:  
HONGKONG—SIR THOMAS JACKSON.  
MANAGER:  
Shanghai—J. P. WADE, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.  
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.  
THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 6th June, 1899. [19]

**HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.**

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.  
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3 per cent. per annum.  
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on a FIXED DEPOSIT at a PER CENT. per annum.  
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st August, 1899. [10]

**IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.**

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1895.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 10,000,000  
PAID-UP CAPITAL, 2,000,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:  
CANTON. HANKOW.  
CHEFOO. PEKING.  
CHINKIANG. SWATOW.  
FOOCHOW. TIENTSIN.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH:  
Advances made on approved securities.  
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:  
3 per cent. per annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

W. W. RUTTER, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st October, 1899. [14]

## Intimations.

**PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS

JAPAN, &c. Formosa, A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R. About 28th July Freight or Passage.  
LONDON Socatra, T. H. Hide, R.N.R. About 4th August Freight only.  
SHANGHAI Chusan, E. Street, About 4th August Freight or Passage.  
LONDON, &c. Coronandell, F. W. Vibert, R.N.R. Noon, 5th August Freight or Passage.  
JAPAN, &c. Rokilla, S. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R. 4 P.M., 5th August Freight or Passage.  
LONDON, &c. Manila, R. L. Haddock, R.N.R. About 17th August Freight or Passage.

(Passing through the Inland Sea) (See Special Advertisement)

For Further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1899.

**THE CLUB HOTEL, LIMITED.**

No. 5-B, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.

The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [35]



**AQUARIUS.**

"A PERFECT TABLE WATER."

Per Dozen Quarts, \$2.50  
Per Dozen Pints, 1.75  
Allowance for the Empty when return to our Godowns.  
Net Price, \$1.50, 0.75, 1.00

"There is no teaching in all the wide world of hygiene so valuable as the inculcation of the idea that typhoid fever is a water-borne disease. Excluding a not common liability to the air-diffusion of its germs, we acquire this ailment undoubtedly from water directly, or from milk which has been fouled by polluted water. Pure water means practically the abolition of both typhoid fever and cholera. Our safety abroad is to drink a pure Mineral Water only." (Dr. Andrew Wilson in the "Illustrated London News.")

**CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.**

15, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 8th July, 1899. [15]

**BOARD AND RESIDENCE.**  
On Monthly Terms from 1st May, 1899.

**CLUB WHISKY IS THE BEST.**

\$12.00 PER DOZEN

**H. PRICE & Co., 12 QUEEN'S ROAD.**

**W. POWELL & Co.**

Es. S.S. MANILA

**NEW SHOES, NEW HATS AND MILLINERY REQUISITES.**

Hongkong, 1st July, 1899. [14]

## Intimations.

**UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.**

SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, FOR THE

**UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LD., LONDON,**  
CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT  
MANUFACTURERS OF THE  
Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS AND PACKINGS.  
HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS, of all kinds.  
"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.  
ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.  
ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.  
SUPERINTENDENT, THOS. SKINNER  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

27] HONGKONG, 4th January, 1899.

**PEAK HOTEL**

AND CRAIGIEBURN.

THE PEAK HOTEL, is situated at VICTORIA GAP, adjoining the TRAMWAY TERMINUS, 1,350 feet above sea level. CRAIGIEBURN is situated at PLUNKETT'S GAP, five minutes walk from the PEAK HOTEL. Fine Healthy location, variety of beautiful scenery. Cool Southerly breezes in Summer with perfect protection against the North East Winds in Winter. Well appointed rooms, attentive service and excellent Cuisine.

CITY OFFICE, 7, Duddell Street, Hongkong, 4th January, 1899. [28]

**HOTEL ORIENTE, MANILA.**

THE Public are informed that this FINE and COMMODIOUS HOTEL is To-day entirely under ENGLISH MANAGEMENT, and is now on a par with the best managed Eastern Hotels. All the latest improvements and conveniences have been added to the building, including Electric Light throughout. The Premises are specially constructed for the tropics, and every attention is paid to the Comfort and Convenience of Guests.

Cuisine of the best, and Prices Moderate.

A First-Class Livery Stable is attached to the HOTEL. [804a]

**ACCIDENTAL DEATHS**

WOULD NOT HAPPEN IF YOU USE

**ESSET'S FLUID,**

THE STRONGEST KNOWN

**DISINFECTANT.**

**WATKINS & CO., 66, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.**

Hongkong, 12th June, 1899. [14]

**THE PHARMACY.**

HAVE NOW A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF ATKINSON'S PERFUMES AND ARE SOLE MANUFACTURERS OF

**WHITE HEATHER BOUQUET.**

Sole Agents for VIN PASTEUR the great French Nerve Tonic.

Also Sole Agents for the now well-known JAPANESE TABLE WATER

**TANSAN.** FLETCHER & CO. and CARMICHAEL & CO.

12th October, 1898. [1242]

**PETER SYS' WONDERFUL SPECIFIC.**

THE only remedy at present known as an INFALLIBLE and PERMANENT CURE for SPRUE, DYSENTERY, DIARRHOEA, HEMORRHOGE and ULCERATION of the BOWELS. Recommended by some of the Chief Specialists of the Medical Profession. Sold retail by all Chemists and Wholesale.

THE PETER SYS COMPANY, (Proprietors and Sole Manufacturers), 9, Old China Street, Shanghai.

12th October, 1898. [1242]

**THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF SEVENTY FIVE CENTS per Share for the Six months ending 30th June, 1899, will be PAYABLE on the 28th instant, on which date DIVIDEND WARRANTS may be obtained on Application at COMPANY'S OFFICE.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on the 27th and 28th instant. By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. General Agents, West Point Building Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 10th July, 1899. [902a]

**HONGKONG CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Building, Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 31st July, at 12 o'clock, NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts declaring a DIVIDEND and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st instant inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary. Hongkong, 13th July, 1899. [911a]

**HONGKONG ICE COMPANY LIMITED.**

NOTICE

IN accordance with the provisions of No. 104 of the Articles of Association of the General Managers have this Day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the Half Year ended 30th June, 1899, of Eight per Cent on the Paid up Capital. DIVIDEND WARRANTS PAYABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be issued to Shareholders on WEDNESDAY, the 26th July.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 18th to 26th instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, JARDINE MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 13th July, 1899. [902a]

## Intimations.

**THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND at the Rate of 5 per Cent (Two Dollars and Fifty Cents per Share) for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1899, will be PAID to those Persons who are registered as Shareholders in the above Company on the 3rd August, 1899. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 28th July to 3rd August, both days inclusive. By Order, EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary. Hongkong, 19th July, 1899. [943a]

1943a

**THE MUTUAL STORES**

(SUB AGENTS LIPTON LIMITED), 28, 29 & 30, POYING STREET, HONGKONG.

JUST ARRIVED PER S.S. "YAMATTA MARU"

ANOTHER LARGE CONSIGNMENT OF FRESH AUSTRALIAN CREAMERY BUTTER 80 CENTS per lb.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1899. [136]

**Insurance.**

**NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.**

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept Fire Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES. SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, 28th May, 1899. [18]

**Masonic.**

**ZETLAND LODGE.**

No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 1st August, at 8.30 for 9 p.m.; precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 24th July, 1899. [963a]

**To be Let.**

**TO LET.**

SEMI-DETACHED VILLA RESIDENCES on Bowen Road (now in course of erection). PROPERTY lately occupied by the Bowington Saw Mills. GROUND FLOOR, 54, PRINCE STREET. OFFICES—1st floor, No. 10, PRINCE CENTRAL (lately occupied by Messrs. MELCHERS & Co.) Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. Hongkong, 21st June, 1899. [17]

**HOWARD'S GODOWNS.**

TO BE LET, in one Lot of 16 Godowns, or separately. Apply to THOS. HOWARD & Co. Hongkong, 22nd July, 1899. [1954]

**TO LET UNTIL JUNE 1902.**

A T. PRAVA CENTRAL—Whole or Part of Rooms formerly occupied by the INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS and SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG. Single Rooms from \$20 upwards. Apply to the MANAGER or SECRETARY, At No. 2, Prava Central. Hongkong, 11th July, 1899. [904a]

**TO LET.**

OFFICE ROOMS on 1st floor of No. 14, Queen's Road Central, (lately the 14th PERIAL BANK OF CHINA). Apply to Comptroller Office, E. C. HOCHAPPEL. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1899. [938a]

**TO LET.**

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION. THE SECOND FLOOR of No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD. Apply to E. D. SASSOON & Co. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1899. [697a]

**TO LET.**

ROOMS with or without BOARD, in PRINCE CENTRAL, (lately the 14th PERIAL BANK OF CHINA). Apply to the Office, 14, Prava Central. Hongkong, 23rd May, 1899. [697a]



## Today's Advertisements.

### PUBLIC LECTURE.

#### NAVY LEAGUE.

CAPTAIN G. C. ANDERSON has kindly consented to deliver an ADDRESS at the PEAK HOTEL, TO-NIGHT, the 25th July, 1899, at 9.30 P.M., on the subject of "THE NAVY LEAGUE, MANNING SCHEME AND THE LIGHT DUES." Captain HASTINGS, R.N. will take the Chair. The MEETING is OPEN to the Public. Ladies are invited.

H. E. POLLOCK, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1899. [939a]

### NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

#### NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.) THE Company's Steamship

"HOHENZOLLERN." Captain H. Kirschner, will leave for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 8 A.M.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1899. [942a]

### NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

#### NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI. THE Company's Steamship

"PRINZ HEINRICH." Captain H. Kirschner, will leave for the above Port, on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, at 9 A.M.

A Steam-launch flying the Company's flag, will leave New Peddars Wharf at 8 A.M. to convey Passengers on board the Steamer.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1899. [942a]

### CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA." Captain Moore, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 27th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1899. [952a]

### DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN." Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1899. [962a]

### NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

#### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "PRINZ HEINRICH."

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st August, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 1st August, and THURSDAY, the 3rd August, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 11th August, or they will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1899. [942a]

#### Intimation.

#### NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

JEYES FLUID THE BEST DISINFECTANT.

AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1897. [11]

#### NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" have this Day been removed to No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Second Floor, (the premises formerly occupied by Messrs. POWELL & Co.) to which address all communications should be addressed.

Ern. F. SKERTCHLY, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1899.

#### AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Port, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones. Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiores will also be most grateful for any PAPER or OLD ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1899.

## Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS

SHERRIES.

B.—SUPERIOR PALE DRY, dinner wine, Green Seal

Capsule - \$10.80

C.—MANZANILLA, PALE

NATURAL SHERRY, White

Capsule - 12.00

CC.—SUPERIOR OLD DRY,

PALE NATURAL SHERRY, Red

Seal Capsule - 12.00

D.—VERY SUPERIOR OLD

PALE DRY, choice old wine,

White Seal Capsule - 14.40

E.—EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD

PALE DRY, very finest quality,

Black Seal Capsule (Old

Bottled) - 20.40

B, C, and CC are excellent dinner

Wines and suitable for invalids and

delicate stomachs. D and E are

after-dinner Wines of a very superior

vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

Sample bottles and smaller quantities

will be supplied at proportionate

wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and

Spirits to be genuine when bought

direct from us in the Colony or from

our authorised Agents at the Coast

Ports.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

BIRTHS.

On 15th inst., at Mount Farquhar, Sepoy

Lanes, Singapore, the wife of Dr. LEASE, of a

daughter.

On the 15th inst., at Frankfort House, 13,

Lloyd Road, Singapore, the wife of THOMAS

MAXWELL, of a daughter.

DEATH.

On the 15th inst., at Frankfort House, 13,

Lloyd Road, Singapore, BERTHA, the beloved

wife of THOMAS MAXWELL, aged 24.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JULY 25, 1899.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE TSAR'S MESSAGE.

In these days of war and rumours of war we are becoming used to surprises, but certainly, since the KAISAR's famous JAMSON RAID telegram, no message has been so totally unexpected as has that of the TSAR to PRINCE LOUIS NAPOLEON.

In fact the message amounts to an expression of disapproval of the Republican Government of France and a wish to see Prince Louis established upon the throne. By the royalist party in France it may well be taken to mean a promise of neutrality, if not of help, in the event of their engaging in a revolution. Coming as it does at a time when the Peace Conference, proposed by the TSAR, is sitting at The Hague, the message arouses grave doubts in one's mind as to whether the TSAR could ever have been really sincere in his Peace Proposals, or were they merely made with the idea of keeping the Powers employed for a time, in order that Russia might prepare for some long cherished stroke without outsiders suspecting that anything of the sort was about to be sprung upon the world? How can such a message, calculated to stir up rebellion against an established government, be compatible with universal peace?

PRINCE LOUIS NAPOLEON.

PRINCE LOUIS NAPOLEON is the younger brother of Prince VICTOR, both being sons of the late PRINCE NAPOLEON and Princess CLAUDE. Prince VICTOR, on the death of the Prince Imperial in 1879, took upon himself the position of head of the house of Bonaparte, although his father did not die until 1891. It is Prince Louis, however, who is the more popular of the two, and there can be little doubt but that he, and not his elder brother, would ascend the French throne in the event of a monarchical form of government being re-established. Prince Louis is a Colonel of the Russian Imperial Guard and is, as the TSAR's message sets forth, popular both in Russia and amongst the Bonapartists in France. When the instability of French Governments is taken into consideration, it does not require a very great stretch of the imagination to see Prince Louis established on the throne. At all events, affairs could not then be much worse than they are now.

THE DUMDUM BULLET AND OTHER THINGS.

So the Dumdum bullet has been finally condemned by the Peace Conference, or in other words the advocates of universal peace are in favour of our troops being slaughtered by Chazee rifles, instead of being able to stop these fanatics in full career and save their own lives. In the same manner our soldiers will be prevented from stopping the advance of the troops of the other members of the Conference and this should

certainly be a great stride taken in the cause of peace. Why the Dumdum bullet should have been specially selected as a point of attack is hard to understand, for it is non-explosive and is no more destructive in its action than the old Snider or the more modern Mauser. If we remember aught, the question of the condemning of rams on warships was on the programme of the Conference, and doubtless this point will be carried and the whole of the British Navy, with the exception of a few gun-boats and destroyers, be condemned to be sold for old iron. Perhaps the Conference will decide that the fortifications of Gibraltar are prejudicial to the peace of Europe and we shall be asked to dismantle them. Who knows?

LET WELL ALONE!

Peace Conferences and interferences with other folk's affairs may be all very well in their way, but we do not think that the state of civilization has as yet reached such a pitch of perfection as to render them of any benefit to humanity at large. Take the Spanish-American war for instance. The United States entered upon the war with the ostensible intention of benefiting the Cubans by introducing them to the blessings of independence and self government and a few other trifles. Then the Philippine question cropped up and the same panacea for all ills was to be applied. What has been the result? It has been conclusively proved that the United States Government, however pure and disinterested its motive, has had its calculations upset. In the pride of conquest the people forgot the primary object of the war and now the country is faced by a problem which will require the earnest attention of its best statesmen and the expenditure of millions of its wealth to unravel. Will the cost of the pacification of Cuba and the Philippines be repaid by the increase in trade and commerce generally which will result therefrom? We fancy not. The American Government had much better exchange the Philippines for the West Indies and allow us to establish a protectorate. It would save them endless trouble in the future, and we believe that the Philippines would not object to the deal.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE AND THE DUMDUM BULLET.

LONDON, July 23rd.

At a plenary meeting of the Peace Conference, the Dumdum bullet was finally condemned. Great Britain and the United States being the only Powers in opposition.

THE QUEEN'S PRIZE AT BISLEY.

The Queen's prize was won by Private Preault of the Guernsey Militia.

THE ATHLETIC MEETING BETWEEN ENGLISH AND AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES.

At the Athletic Meeting between Harvard and Yale, and Oxford and Cambridge, the Englishmen won five and the Americans four events.

THE UNITED STATES.

Mr. Elihu Root has succeeded Mr. R. A. Alger as Secretary of War.

RUSSIA AND FRANCE.

A sensation has been caused in Paris by the publication of a telegram the TSAR sent to Prince Louis Napoleon on his birthday, in which he hoped that each year would bring him nearer to the highest period of his life when he would realize the wishes of his friends who were as numerous in France as in Russia.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:-

On the 25th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen moderately on the E. coast of China, slightly on the S. coast. The depression is probably moving Eastwards along the S. coast of Japan. Gradients slight on the China coast. FORECAST:-S.W. to S.E. winds, moderate or light; fair.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

DURING the week ended 22nd July, two cases of enteric fever occurred in the Colony the victims being Europeans.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended 23rd July, are:-Europeans 158, Chinese 1,544; total 1,702.

We would remind our readers of the lecture to be given at the Peak Hotel this evening, by Captain Anderson, full particulars of which will be found in our advertising columns.

(An amusing incident occurred at the Supreme Court this morning. In the cross-examination of Pui Chi Mr. Dyer Ball explained that the same word in Chinese meant labouring man, and grandfather, and that he was trying to discover which the prisoner intended. It afterwards transpired that the old man employed at the cook shop, was the witness' mother's adopted grandfather. A queer relationship, truly!

This morning at the Magistracy Hung Lin was charged with throwing a stone at Kurimo Gones when passing the Chinese theatre at Kowloon City. It appeared from the evidence that the complainant had incurred the ill-will of defendant while the latter was employed as "guard" at the Customs and it was through this that the assault had taken place. Defendant denied having thrown the stone and said he did not know why he had been arrested. His Worship sentenced him to \$15 fine or six weeks imprisonment.

A CHINESE lunkong while on duty at the Praya Central saw a coolie carrying a basket. Thinking the appearance of the man suspicious, he stopped him and asked what the basket contained, and not receiving a satisfactory answer, took the man up to the Central Police Station, where it was found that the basket contained 37 revolvers and 250 cartridges. Before the Magistracy this morning, the man, said he was a coolie and had been hired to carry the basket, and did not know what it contained. He was fined \$100 for harboring a lunkong.

A CHINESE youngster aged 14 was this morning sentenced to 12 cuts with the birch, for stealing a jacket, the stolen property being found on his back.

WONG KWA was this morning, at the Magistracy, sentenced to one month's hard labour for willfully giving false evidence against Chou Hoi, who was charged with calling out his wares in prohibited areas.

MR. Gideon Arthurson, late chief officer of the steamship *Thra Yang*, died at the Peak Hospital yesterday and was buried at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Many friends attended the funeral. Mr. Arthurson was only 23 years of age.

THEFT FROM THE POST OFFICE.

The remanded charge against Abdul Rahman for stealing a parcel containing two gold chains valued at \$275, the property of the Postmaster General, while employed in the Registration department, came on for hearing again at the Magistracy this morning.

Mr. A. Barron, Superintendent of the Registration branch gave evidence that the defendant was at the time of the robbery employed at the post office in the registered letter and parcel department, his duties were to receive parcels for registration, make the necessary entries in the books provided, and lock them up in a safe. Defendant had neglected to perform these duties as regards this parcel.

Owing to Mr. Bowley, the Crown Solicitor, having to attend the Supreme Court, the further hearing of the case was adjourned until next Tuesday, August 1st, at noon.

Defendant was taken to Victoria Gaol, as bail was not forthcoming.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Before the Hon. W. A. Goodman (Acting Chief Justice.)

July 25th.

THE UN LOONG MURDER CASE.

Ng Ki Cheung, Ng Tung, and Lui Tuk Tui were charged with the murder of one Chan Kwai Tsui Tai at Un Loong on the 18th April.

The Acting Attorney-General (the Hon. H. E. Pollock), instructed by Mr. Bowley (Crown Solicitor) prosecuted; Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Messrs. Mounsey and Brutten), appeared for the two first prisoners, and Mr. Melbourne for the third.

The following canvassed the Special Jury:- Messrs. A. J. Kezario, F. C. P. Sachse, G. T. Veitch, A. H. Bottenheim, J. F. C. Jensen, G. Stewart, and A. Denison.

The further hearing of the witnesses for the prosecution was resumed this morning. Pui Chi, who was present at the creek side, gave most damning evidence against the prisoners, and said that the first and second prisoners had said that if Lam Pak Ten did not kill the deceased, they would. He had seen the third prisoner roll the crate containing the deceased down into the water of the creek.

By Mr. Francis, He was 12 years of age; his cook shop belonged to himself and his mother, the shop is in a different street to the meeting house. This was the first time he had been in the meeting house and the first time he had assisted at a murder. This was the first time he had seen Tang Tieng Sz. He had been sleeping and eating at the police station for the last week. He was brought over to Hongkong as a witness by the police on the 28th of June.

He did not know what became of the two men who were let out of the crates and locked up in the small room. He had seen one of them in the witness room at the police station; he had not given evidence against the other two murderers. The were six witnesses at the police station, who were allowed to go out; not detectives with them. Witness then gave the names of the witnesses. First prisoner was never in there as a witness. Tang Po sometimes came in, he did not know if he was employed by the police; he was with them a good deal but not always. When Tang Po did not go out with them an Indian went. He gave the same evidence at the Magistracy as given here. He might possibly have been at the opium and gambling house before. There is another place down the street about ten shops away from the meeting house. He might have been in these gambling houses. Cheung Tein was a cook, employed at one of the gambling houses (at present awaiting execution). He opened his shop at daylight and closed at dark. He remembered it was quite dark between 7 and 8 on the 17th April. He went to the meeting house after closing the shop. He had not carried any provisions to the Chinese soldiers fighting at Tai-po-ho. No-one went from Un-loong to fight, and he did not see anybody come back from the fight. He had smoked a pipe down the street about ten shops away from the meeting house. One man was enough for him for one day. He bought 15 cents worth in the evening. Tang Tieng Sz. did not pay for any for him at the Sung Shun opium house; tea and tobacco are furnished free there. There are two beds; one used for smoking while the other is occupied by those waiting.

His lordship here had to administer a severe caution to the witness to abstain from any impertinence, as he was before the highest court in the colony, and had not brains enough to decide the importance of the questions.

He had run away from Un-loong because he had heard that big and little were to be killed by the English. An Po had brought a Chinese constable to him on account of the murders. He knew that it rained between the hours of 11 and 12 on the night of the 17th. They had no electric or gas lights at Un-loong, or on the creek side; they had oil paper lanterns with tallow candles inside, and with this light he could clearly see the faces of the men he could not see the faces of the coolies and would not know them again. He did not know why they should send for Tang Tieng cooies. He did see the faces of the boatmen.

Adjournment for tiffin.

The further cross-examination of Pui Chui by Mr. Francis was continued after tiffin, the learned Counsel showing the discrepancies between the evidence given at the Magistracy and that given at this Court. His Worship's depositions being read over to the jury, Witness said, he was only a dried meat seller and was the Magistracy's fault; that roast meat was put down instead of dried meat.

By Mr. Melbourne, Lam Pak Ten lived at the Sandai, at least he is the sergeant, and so is expected to live there. He knew Mik, adding he lived at the Temple. The Pak Ten is an under officer at the Sandai. He used to sell vegetables formerly. He did not know if he was a coolie. Third prisoner, had lived at the temple seven or eight years.

Lai Hung Chi said he was cook at the Tung Sung Li, a gambling house at Un-loong. He was born a long way from Un-loong where he had been for the last four or five months. He then gave corroborative evidence concerning the prisoners and seeing the intention of the prosecution to show that the prisoners were not the same as the ones who were let out of the crates and locked up in the small room.

## PUT A BEGGAR ON HORSEBACK, ETC.

It will be remembered that that lately a lunkong brought a charge of assault against Major Long and on account of this assault the British officer was fined at the Magistracy. Yesterday the lunkong had the pleasure of standing in the dock himself, charged with a similar offence committed on a Chinese messenger.

From the evidence it appeared that a coolie had been sent to Inspector McNab with a letter. The Inspector was out at the time, and the lunkong, without any provocation, assaulted the messenger. When brought before the Inspector, and remonstrated with, the lunkong said he "did not care a fig for him."

He was therefore brought before the magistracy and charged with the assault and shown that he had not yet quite reached an eminence from which he could set the laws of the land at defiance. He was fined \$5, as a lesson to keep him from having too high an opinion of himself.

## PROMENADE CONCERT.

A promenade concert was given in aid of the Lady's Hospital fund by the members of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers Variety Troupe last night at the Volunteer Head Quarter Parade Ground. The grounds were decorated by the hangings of Chinese lanterns strung between the trees surrounding the green, and a stage had been erected in front of the main entrance to the Institute. By the kind permission of Major Morris and the officers of the regiment, the band was in attendance and played some of the accompaniments to the singers, while a piano was provided for those who so desired. The concert was largely attended, members of all the different European communities being represented, and many of the fairer sex also graced the occasion with their presence, and seemed to thoroughly enjoy the good things that had been provided. As will be seen by the programme attached, both sentimental and comic songs were given, all of which reflected the greatest credit on the club on Lieut. Walwyn, who, being a vocalist of no mean ability himself, takes great interest in their welfare. The Welch Glee Singers, a voluntary band, under the direction of Pte. Ludwick deserve special mention, their rendering of "Wald Py Naden" or "Land of my Fathers" the Welch national Anthem, that is always played by the band, when playing at the mess, before "God save the Queen," was in perfect harmony and richly deserved the encore which they received. We append the programme:-

## PROGRESSIVE HONGKONG.

Not many people who remember the land around Causeway Bay, especially that corner opposite Kennedy's Stables, which last year was principally made up of boulders and swamp, would now recognise it, for at this spot there has sprung up a huge hive of industry in the shape of a cotton mill, the first one in Hongkong. It is difficult to say what are the future possibilities of this venture and how it will affect the future distribution of the population in the Colony. One thing is very near a certainty, and that is the venture will be a success, under the able management of Mr. Alfred Shaw. The buildings, which are colossal in size, comparing favourably with Queen's Buildings on the Praya Central, have sprung up, machinery for cotton spinning, weaving and dyeing, by Messrs Platt Brothers of Oldham, and a triple expansion condensing engine by Messrs. Woods of Bolton, been installed. European overseers from England have been engaged and some 400 or 500 Chinese instructed in the mysteries of cotton goods manufacture.

Even looked at superficially, this amount of work in less than eighteen months does not seem bad, but when it is remembered that all the Chinese hands known capable of the work required and had to be first instructed, the work seems almost superhuman. The majority of the machinery has been erected and some is at work, and when the works are in full swing some thousands of Chinese, principally women and children, will be employed, as the system installed is known as the "ring spinning," in contradiction to the "mule" in which men and boys are required. What will be the effect of a large factory employing 1000 hands situated at East Point, it is hard to say, and there is no doubt that when this mill is proved itself the success which undoubtedly will do Chinese capital will flow in that direction and the whole community will be benefited.

## FIRE EXTINGUISHER.

The special occasion for which the public were invited to the mills last night was to show the working of the Grinnel Automatic Fire Extinguisher, and representatives from all the Insurance Companies were present. It is apparent to the least casual observer that cotton, during the stages of manufacture in its light fluffy condition, is of a most inflammable nature, this is so to such an extent that insurance companies are now refusing to accept cotton mills as an ordinary risk, and they are classed under the head of hazardous. To counterbalance this











## LATEST BY WIRE.

## The Tea Trade.

LONDON, July 23rd.  
The meeting of tea-importers to-day was held at the Chamber of Commerce building, and the room was crowded to overflowing. The resolution to discontinue the tariff allowance on the 17th instant was carried, practically unanimously. Business in the meanwhile is of the slackest.

July 24th.  
At the tea-dealers' meeting to-day, it was resolved not to attend the sales, and not to buy tea privately. The Ceylon tea sale to-day was a business one. The brokers attended, but the bidders' benches in the room were empty.

## The Transvaal.

Mr. Chamberlain, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said the Cape Government was not a party to the negotiations between the British and the Transvaal Governments; but Sir Alfred Milner was in communication with the Cape Ministry.

The Transvaal Volksraad met yesterday. President Kruger urged the members to hold firmly to their independence, and said he would stand by his intention to submit proposals for the increase in the representation of the gold-fields. Nothing was said regarding the alteration of the franchise, without which the President's proposals are valueless. A new member of the Volksraad for Johannesburg was elected on Saturday, who is violently anti-English.

July 25th.  
A letter addressed by Mr. Chamberlain to Mr. Voss-Guyot, has been published, anent a recent suggestion by the latter for a solution of the crisis with the Transvaal, in which the Colonial Secretary said that his solution, which guaranteed the independence of the Transvaal, was presented to President Kruger in February, 1895, and also at the recent conference at Bloemfontein, but was unhappily rejected. Mr. Chamberlain endorses the opinion of Mr. Guyot that the Boers do not want independence, but the right to oppress and exploit the Uitlanders.

## The Emperor William.

July 26th.  
The Emperor William, who is cruising off Norway, went aboard the French warship *Ipigante* which is lying in those waters. The Kaiser's visit is much commented on in Paris.

## Indian Affairs.

Lord George Hamilton, replying to a question in the House of Commons this evening, regarding the attacks made by Pathans, on the north-west frontier of India, said that, if partial disarmament in Peshawar, etc., was ineffectual, total disarmament would be enforced.

Earl Spencer, speaking at Cambridge, condemned the Indian countervailing sugar duty proposals as akin to protective duties.

## The Dreyfus Case.

The boast repeatedly made by M. Beaupaire that he could produce irrefutable evidence of the guilt of Dreyfus has been exploded amid universal laughter, the quondam Judge of the Court of Cassation having been the victim of an absurd hoax. The perpetrator of the hoax employed a veiled lady as intermediary, who obtained subsidies amounting to 750 francs, with which he professed to make a journey to Basle, Brussels, and Stuttgart, for the purpose of obtaining documents sworn to be in Dreyfus' handwriting, and a letter supposed to be from the Kaiser. The unknown now returns M. Beaupaire's money, and publishes the whole correspondence in the *Figaro*, over the signature of "Karl." The calm demeanour exhibited by Dreyfus since his return to France commands general admiration, and it is clear that he has completely mastered everything occurring during his exile. The citizens of Buda-Pesth are subscribing to present a sword of honour to Colonel Picquart.

## Reinforcements for the Cape.

July 27th.  
Eight special service officers have been ordered to South Africa, namely Colonel Baden Powell, Lord Cecil, Lieutenant the Hon. Hanbury Tracy, Colonel E. A. Plumer, Captains A. V. Jenner, A. F. Pitt, H. M. McKicking, and W. S. Bird, whose duties will be to organise the local forces at various points on the frontier. The *Pall Mall Gazette* states that Indian native regiments will replace the British Troops in Malta and Egypt in the event of a large increase of the garrison at the Cape.

Mr. Balfour, in the House of Commons this evening, said that no contingency had arisen necessitating a material increase of the force in South Africa; but it was necessary, under existing circumstances, to bring the force to a proper standard of efficiency and mobility.

## King Milan's Life Attempted.

An attempt has been made to murder ex-King Milan in Belgrade. A young man fired four revolver shots at H. M., one bullet slightly grazing him.

[The ex-King of Serbia is only 35 years old, although he abdicated in favour of his son ten years ago.]

## France and Germany.

LONDON, July 28th.  
The French press regard the Emperor William's visit to the French warship *Ipigante* as a possible beginning of a change of policy which both England and Russia should note.

## The Transvaal.

July 29th.  
Mr. Scheepers, the Cape Premier, declares that the Cape Government regards the proposals made by the Transvaal Volksraad, as satisfactory, and tending to a peaceful settlement. Sir Gordon Sprigg, the ex-Premier of the Cape, describes the proposed reforms as being totally inadequate, and as defeating Sir Alfred Milner's desire for the Uitlanders to work out their own salvation.

## The Currency Commission.

The Indian Currency Commission's report recommends a gold standard, with the sovereign as legal tender, and fixing the rupee at silverpence. The report is signed by eight sections.

Section 1 recounts the history of the monetary system of India. Section 2 discusses a silver standard, and says the re-opening of the Mints would be to nullify, and immediately discredited, all the objects of such a course. Section 3 discusses the terms of the Indian (and Ceylon) tea industry being threatened by China producing a silver coin, the Commission considers that the Government should consider the possibility of a silver coin, under the same standard, of value to the countries to which they export their produce. The report concludes in the decision of the Government not to revert to a silver standard.

Section 4 argues in favour of a gold standard, and says that it is the only one which would be likely to secure a market for Indian produce, and to secure a market for Indian produce.

that steps be taken to avoid all possibility of doubt as to the determination not to revert to a silver standard, and to proceed with measures for the effective establishment of a gold standard.

Section 5 says the Committee is unable to recommend the proposals of the Indian Government as embodied in its despatch of the 3rd March, 1898.

Section 6 deals with the schemes for establishing a gold standard without a gold currency. The Committee considers that the native habit of hoarding gold does not justify a permanent refusal to allow India gold currency, and favours making the British sovereign a legal tender and a current coin. It considers that the Indian Mints should coin gold unrestrictedly, on the same terms as the Australian Mints.

Section 7 deals with convertibility, saying that existing conditions prevent the limiting of the amount for which rupees should be legal tender for some time to come. The Indian Government should not be legally bound to part with gold in exchange for rupees, but should make gold available for foreign remittances whenever exchange falls below a special point. The exclusive right to a rupee coinage must remain vested in the Government, and profits should be kept in gold as a special reserve.

Section 8 recommends a legal sterling rate of sixteen pence for the rupee. This recommendation is not made unanimously, but by a majority of the Committee, who point out that this is now the normal rate to which prices may be assumed to have adjusted themselves.

Section 9 says that the effective establishment of a gold standard is of paramount importance to the material interests of India, not only to promote existing trade, but to encourage the influx of capital. For the speedy attainment of this object, it is eminently desirable that the Government of India should husband its resources, and exercise resolute economy to restrict the growth of gold obligations.

In the appendix to the report, Mr. Robert Campbell and Sir John Muir favour fifteen pence for the rupee. Mr. W. H. Holland favours waiting for further experience before fixing the rate. Mr. Everard Hambro recommends the creation of a Bank on the lines of the Bank of England. Mr. Campbell, Mr. Holland, and Sir John Muir oppose sterling borrowing for the establishment or maintenance of a gold standard.

## The Manœuvres.

July 10th.  
The mobilisation of fleets commences to-morrow, prior to the annual manœuvres, which are to be on an unusual scale, 118 ships will participate.

## Uganda.

Mr. Brodrick, in the House of Commons to-day, stated that, owing to illness, Mr. E. J. L. Berkeley, Commissioner for Uganda, has resigned. The moment was opportune to send a Special Commissioner to report on what steps it was desirable to establish, specially in view of Major Marjory's advance to the Nile, and Sir Harry Johnston would be appointed with full powers.

## Queer Glass!

LAHORE, June 30th.  
Some months ago two Austrians, named Cordón and Flasher, made their way up to Kabul ostensibly for the purpose of introducing the manufacture of glass into the Afghan capital. They have not turned their hands to glassblowing since their arrival, but are engaged in making Krupp guns. Herr Cordón, who is an expert in the wine trade, has informed the Amir that Kabul grapes are capable of turning out most excellent wine.

Two of the latest pattern Mauser pistols have found their way to Kabul, and have been greatly approved of by the Amir, who declares his intention of arming all his officers with the weapon, which very few European officers possess in India.

## Troops for the Cape.

SIMLA, July 1st.  
Regarding the movement of troops for South Africa, the Artillery announced as ordered to the Cape would have gone there in any case next September. The movement, therefore, is no new one, but is to be carried out six weeks earlier than originally intended. The African Regiment ordered to Mauritius, again is one that was moved some time ago for the express purpose of relieving the 1st Bengal Infantry, which were only lent temporarily by the Government of India to Mauritius. Supporting the South African cloud blows over, therefore, the 1st Bengal Infantry may expect to return to India. On the other hand, small parties of the Army Service Corps which are being despatched to South Africa are no doubt to meet eventualities. They are what would be sent in advance to make arrangements, supposing the despatch of troops was contemplated. It will be seen, however, that the movement so far ordered are little more than in the ordinary course.

## Thefts of Arms.

July 4th.  
Thirty-eight Lee-Enfield and twenty-five Martini-Enfield rifles, and twenty-two revolvers, have been stolen during the past year from regiments stationed on the frontier, notwithstanding the extraordinary precautions adopted. The most remarkable theft occurred at Peshawar, from a British regiment, where, without warning, the occupants of the room, Miss Lee-Maitland, were taken from the arm-racks which had been placed in a barracks where ten men were sleeping and a light burning.

## Murder and Suicide.

BOMBAY, July 5th.  
Last night Captain E. A. Imrayson, late of the Durham Light Infantry, who had for five months been living near Bombay with Mrs. Gregory, the wife of an engineer employed on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway, was attacked by the husband and shot near the heart. Mr. Gregory then turned on his wife and shot her dead, subsequently blowing out his own brains. Captain Imrayson is in a precarious condition. Divorce proceedings were pending.

## Affray at Lahore.

CALCUTTA, July 6th.  
Two extraordinary affrays took place at Lahore on Tuesday night. In the first, a Junior Government Advocate while driving in a brougham at ten o'clock was stopped by a large gang of men, armed with clubs. The coachman was severely injured and the brougham was overturned. The Advocate was taken to the hospital, and the City Magistrate and Mr. Wilberforce, Registrar of the Chief Court, who were driving in an open carriage, were stopped by the same gang. The Advocate was taken to the hospital, and the City Magistrate and Mr. Wilberforce, Registrar of the Chief Court, who were driving in an open carriage, were stopped by the same gang. The Advocate was taken to the hospital, and the City Magistrate and Mr. Wilberforce, Registrar of the Chief Court, who were driving in an open carriage, were stopped by the same gang.

motive is given for the crime, and no clue has yet been obtained. Deeds of violence have been common in Lahore lately. The streets are now patrolled at night by the Punjab Light Horse and the Police.

## Protection of Press Messages.

3rd July.  
The Foreign Press Messages Bill to be introduced next Friday in the Victoria's Council gives protection for thirty-six hours from the time of first publication in British India, of all press telegrams from abroad, published in India, provided that they are published under the heading of Foreign Telegrams and the day and hour of their receipt is stated. Not only the telegram itself but its substance and every individual portion of it are protected, comment and reference to the news it contains being also deemed a breach of the law.

## The Frontier.

News from across the border states that more fighting and forays have occurred on the Afghan-Turkestan frontier. Sultan Monad Khan, with a thousand troops, raided a place called Rankhal, in Afghan territory, and looted 1,000 goats, 200 horses, and 100 camels; but in the ensuing fight he severely wounded, and several of his men were taken prisoners, and afterwards hanged.

## THE SEA-SERPENT.

Lieut. Boothby, of H.M.S. *Narcissus* was so convinced that a monster he saw off Cape Falcon on the African coast, when the ship was homeward bound, was a sea-serpent, that he made an entry in the ship's log to that effect. The incident was reported in the *London Standard*, to which paper a Mr. Cunningham at once wrote expressing a hope that a more detailed account would be given. Says Mr. Cunningham: "I am greatly interested in the appearance of the monster, because I have a theory that the Plesiosaurus is not extinct, as we are taught to believe. A snake fifty feet long and twelve feet broad in the back is no snake, but a Plesiosaurus with the long snake-like tail, and the lizard-like body, which is about level with the water? I remember a description given a few years ago by a Professor (Scott), whose name, I think, was Anderson. He was out on Lough Aish, between Skye and the mainland (not far from Campbeltown), one summer evening in a boat with his wife, when he saw swimming away from them a creature whose body was hidden by the sea, but whose long neck, like a large boat's mast, was uprigt. There was a tail round the throat, and the head was like a greyhound's. The Professor saw him turn his head frequently, and he kept looking for his way out to sea. No doubt, the beast found himself land-locked, and came to the surface to see where he was. I firmly believe that was a Plesiosaurus, and that the animal that startled the Kilbrannan fishermen three or four days ago was either the same monster or one of his family. Unfortunately, these monsters are generally supposed to come to the surface at night, unless compelled or tempted to do so in daylight, so I fear we shall never see one or hear of his being caught. If they frequented the surface like whales, there is no reason why they should not be harpooned, provided everyone kept out of reach of his long neck and hideous jaws! I can well believe he would prove a formidable beast to tackle."

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## A CHINESE PALACE IN PENANG.

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## A PEACEFUL MISSION.

H.M.S. *Dart*, with tompons in her guns and nothing whatever to occupy her, has lately been steaming backwards and forwards about Torres Strait, on a mission of perfectly charming benignity. At Cairns she embarked a Government botanist, Mr. Cowley, of Kamerunga, who at the request of the Governor of Queensland was ordered to aid in planting coconuts on the off-lying islands in the inner route, with the object of affording marks as aids to navigation, and possibly a means of subsistence for shipwrecked crews. Three islands thus planted with coconuts and other fruits, and others have been examined for the purpose. The Peace Conference at the Hague ought to celebrate an incident so harmonious with its interesting proceedings. Since Saicho Panza put the curbs to his master's balmet there has hardly been seen a prettier use of warlike paraphernalia than this man-of-war crammed full of coconuts and scattering them like tracts or advertising bills over the reefs and shoals of Polynesia. 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## Consignees.

## THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW PORT, GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL  
THE Company's Steamship

"TEENKAI,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that the Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 28th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 28th instant.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 25th instant will be subject to rent.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-MORROW.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 19th July, 1899. [946]

## "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "ARGVILL,"  
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant, will be, subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th instant, or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st August, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 19th July, 1899. [941a]

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "TACOMA,"  
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-  
HAMA, KOBE, MOJIB AND  
SHANGHAI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 20th July, 1899. [4]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

## THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

## "PARRAMATTA."

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Godown Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—  
From London, &c., ex S.S. *Oriental*.  
From Australia, &c., ex S.S. *Shannon*.  
From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P. S. N. Co's Steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 3 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 27th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1899. [1-w 5]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "CHELYDRA"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel on board after Noon, the 25th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 22nd July, 1899. [934a]

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "BENVENUE,"  
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Godown Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant, will be, subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th instant, or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 24th July, 1899. [956]

## Intimations.

CARBOLINEUM-MAYENARIUS  
USED FOR OVER 20 YEARS.  
With the Utmost Success.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot and Dampness.

Sole Agents for China,  
LUTGENS, EINSTAMANN & Co.,  
Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [19]

## THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.

## THERAPION.

This successful and highly popular remedy, as employed in the Continental Hospitals by Ricard, Rostan, Joubert, Velpeau, and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a medicine of the kind, and surpasses everything hitherto employed.

THERAPION No. 1, in a few days only, removes all discharges from the urinary organs, effectually superseding injections, the use of which does irreparable harm by laying the foundation of stricture and other serious diseases. In dysentery, piles, irritation of the lower bowel, cough, bronchitis, asthma, and some of the more trying complaints of this kind, it will be found astonishingly efficacious, affording prompt relief where other well-tried remedies have been powerless.

THERAPION No. 2, for impurity of the blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blotches, pains and swellings of the joints, secondary symptoms, disease of the bones, sore throat, and all diseases for which it has been too much a fashion to employ mercury, sarsaparilla, &c., to the destruction of the sufferer's teeth and ruin of health. This preparation purifies the whole system through the blood, and thoroughly eliminates every poisonous matter from the body.

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1899. [18a]

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## EXCHANGE

Hongkong, 25th July.

UN LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer, 11/11/10

Credit, 4 months' sight, 11/10

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## The Share Market.

## LATEST QUOTATIONS

(July 25th.)

## Banks.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 4 1/2 per cent. prem.

The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Preference) nominal.

The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Ordinary) 4 1/2 buyers.

The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Deferred)—5 1/2 buyers.

National Bank of China, Ltd.—\$24 1/2 Do. —\$24 1/2

## Marine Insurance.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.—\$23 1/2

China Traders' Insurance Co., Limited—\$23 1/2

North China Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$15 1/2

Yantai Insurance Assoc. Ltd.—\$15 1/2

Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.—\$14 1/2

Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$8 1/2

## Fire Insurance.

Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.—\$310

China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.—\$89 sellers.

## Shipping.

Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited—\$34

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd.—\$52 1/2

China and Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.—\$59

Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.—\$56 1/2 sellers.

China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—\$40 1/2 buyers.

China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$40 1/2 buyers.

China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$40 1/2 buyers.

Star Ferry Co., Ltd.—\$16 1/2

## Refineries.

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.—\$17 1/2

Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.—\$57

## Mining.

Punjab Mining Co., Ltd.—\$14

Do. Preference Shares—\$250

Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$24 1/2

Queen Mines, Limited—\$30 1/2

Jebeu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$13 1/2

Raub A'lian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—\$61

Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd.—(A) \$7

Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd.—(B) \$6

Great Eastern and Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—\$2

## Docks, Wharves and Godowns.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.—4 1/2 per cent. prem.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited—\$57

Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.—\$41

New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.—\$15 1/2

## Lands, Hotels and Buildings.

China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.—\$5 1/2

Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.—\$58

Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.—\$30

West Point Building Co., Ltd.—\$33 1/2

Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.—\$107

Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.—\$17 1/2

## Miscellaneous.

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.—\$28 1/2

China-Borneo Co., Limited—\$17 buyers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$17

Hongkong Electric Co., Limited—\$13

Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.—\$130

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.—\$181

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.—\$43

Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.—\$12

Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.—\$145

Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$51

Hongkong & China Bakery Co., Ltd.—\$25

Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.—\$11

Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited—\$1 nominal.

Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.—\$5

Carmichael & Co., Limited—\$8

Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd.—\$70

Ewo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ltd.—\$15 70

International Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd.—\$15 70

Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.—\$15 70

Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.—\$15 350

Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.—\$15 35

Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.—\$2 per share.

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## OPUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 25th July.

New Patna, .....\$37 1/2 per chest.

New Benares, .....\$37 1/2

New Malwa, credit, .....\$10 1/2 per picul.

Old Malwa, credit, .....\$10 1/2

Persian, paper tied, .....\$10 1/2

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